

# ENGINEER COMPANY IS MUSTERED INTO SERVICE

After Many Setbacks and Delays It Becomes Recognized Arm of Federalized Militia.

BLUES STILL HOPE FOR HORSES

Major Benjamin Harrison Writes From Brownsville That Regiments There Are Comfortable and in Good Condition.

They have got by. Strange as it may seem after days of unfilled promises and unfulfilled hopes, the engineers and untrained bunch of recruits at the Fair Grounds have become known as the Fair Grounds Engineers, Virginia National Guard, now a full-fledged part of the federalized militia of the United States. Captain Arthur M. Shipp, mustered the company in at 11 o'clock yesterday morning.

For weeks the engineers have been in camp. Gradually they added to their number, and they got coats and quilted uniforms, but the necessities of the Federal service appeared to retreat as they approached. Last week they faced the physical examination with confidence, but the test left them short of men. The company was required, Saturday they got one man, Sunday the other came. Now the engineers are in, sixty-five strong, with three officers.

Although the weeks spent in camp have been disappointing they have not been profitless. While the engineers waited for equipment and recruits, they drilled steadily and experienced rigors of camp life unknown to their more experienced comrades. In view of the need for engineers, which is reported to exist on the border, it is thought quite likely that the new company will be sent to join the First and Second Infantry Regiments in a short time. Company equipment of arms and accoutrements for the new soldiers is expected to arrive immediately.

## MONTHLY MUSTER AND INSPECTION OF THE CAMP

Aside from the inspection of the engineers to the Federal service, the principal feature of life at Camp Stuart yesterday was the monthly muster and inspection of the entire body of soldiers, preliminary to pay day, expected tomorrow. A day or two, Lieutenant Salomonsky, camp commander, had charge of the inspection. Without denying that the Blues might be ordered to Fort Myer within the next few days, or that 800 horses might be sent to the camp, he said that the use of the cavalry, as has been reported, Adjutant-General Sale stated yesterday that he had no official communications to indicate such a state of affairs. He said, however, that he had circulated in regard to mounts for the Blues, it is probable that the report will amount to nothing immediately.

"If the Blues don't get away or get horses, it will not be our fault," said Adjutant-General Sale. "I have not heard all we can hear. I have not heard any reliable information as to when an order for their removal will come."

A letter has been received from Major Benjamin Harrison, of the Second Virginia Infantry, at Brownsville, Tex., contradicting statements that have appeared in several Virginia papers of alleged bad conditions, sanitary and otherwise, at the camp there. He says that there is no suffering among the men from heat; the nights are delightful; no mosquitoes to pester the boys, and sanitary conditions are perfect; no serious cases of sickness; food ample and of excellent quality; meat and vegetables are issued by the government and the companies save enough money out of their rations to buy other things for their bill of fare. "The spirit of the men is excellent, and they are doing as well as they can in their new uniforms," he said.

## WILL OPEN HEADQUARTERS

Chairman James and Secretary Brennan secure Rooms for Democratic Presidential Campaign.

Following a conference here yesterday between Chairman Rorer A. James and Secretary J. N. Brennan, of the State Democratic Committee, Murphy's Hotel was selected as Democratic campaign headquarters for Virginia in the approaching presidential election. A suite of three rooms have been reserved and an office force will be installed about August 20.

Chairman James called at the executive offices to pay his respects to Governor Stuart, but the latter is spending a few days at his country home in Russell County. He discussed the political situation with Secretary Forward. Both agreed that President Wilson's vote in his native State will be larger by many thousands this year than it was in 1912.

## HECKMAN RESIGNS

Is Succeeded by W. E. Doherty as President of State Federation of Labor.

R. E. Heckman, of Roanoke, has resigned as president of the Virginia Federation of Labor and the office has been filled by the promotion of W. E. Doherty, of Norfolk, who was first vice-president. The resignation was handed to the executive board of the federation which met in Norfolk Saturday and the vacancy was filled by the same body.

The new president is a brother of James B. Doherty, State Commissioner of Labor and Industrial Statistics. The executive board elected to the board of directors by Mr. Heckman's resignation, T. H. Adams, of Roanoke. In the legislative program the executive board included workmen's compensation, an eight-hour day for state work, and a school law which will be printed at a State printing plant, among the objects to which organized labor will devote its efforts during the next two years.

## MERCHANTS TAKE ACTION ON QUESTION OF TAXES

Representatives from practically every branch of Richmond's retail and wholesale trade met last night at the invitation of the Tax Committee of the Retail Merchants Association to take action with respect to the tax question, which will be taken up tomorrow night by the Council Finance Committee. The meeting was held at the association's headquarters, Third and Broad Streets.

By a unanimous vote, the representatives adopted a motion recommending that the City Council be asked to fix the rate on merchants' capital at 30 cents on the \$100 valuation—the rate to which the Legislature restricted cities in the taxation of intangibles.

## To-Day and To-Night in Richmond

Council Committee on Streets, City Hall, 5 o'clock.  
Council Committee on Public Buildings, Properties and Utilities, City Hall, 8 o'clock.  
Band concert, Riverside Park, 8 to 10.  
Baseball—International League, Richmond vs. Newark, Broad Street Park, 7:30 o'clock.  
Lyric—Popular vaudeville; matinee, 3 o'clock; 7:30 and 9 o'clock.

## The Weather

(Furnished by U. S. Weather Bureau.)

**Forecast: Virginia**  
Probably thunder showers Tuesday; Wednesday fair and not so warm.  
**North Carolina**  
Fair Tuesday; Wednesday fair in east, showers in west.

**Local Temperature.**  
12 noon temperature, 84.  
3 P. M. temperature, 87.  
Minimum temperature to 8 P. M., 82.  
Maximum temperature to 8 P. M., 87.  
Mean temperature, 84.  
Normal temperature, 79.  
Deficiency in temperature, 5.  
Deficiency in temperature since 2 P. M., 23.  
Accumulated deficiency since January 1, 89.

**Local Rainfall.**  
Rainfall last twenty-four hours, .00.  
Excess in rainfall since March 1, .33.  
Deficiency in rainfall since January 1, 2.34.

**Local Barometer Readings.**  
8 A. M., 30.07.  
3 P. M., 30.07.  
**Local Observation at 3 P. M. Yesterday.**  
Temperature, 81; humidity, 72; wind, light; direction, south; wind velocity, 4 miles; weather, cloudy.

**General Weather Conditions.**  
WASHINGTON, July 31.—The heat wave in the Middle West has diminished considerably and now prevails in Arkansas, Eastern Kansas and North Dakota. In the Upper Lakes region there has been a noticeable fall in temperature. Scattered thunder showers are probable Tuesday in the Ohio Valley and possibly on the New England coast.

**CONDITIONS IN IMPORTANT CITIES.**  
Asheville, 84, 80, 70, Clear.  
Atlanta, 84, 80, 70, Cloudy.  
Boston, 84, 80, 70, Cloudy.  
Baltimore, 84, 80, 70, Cloudy.  
Buffalo, 84, 80, 70, Cloudy.  
Charlotte, 84, 80, 70, Cloudy.  
Chicago, 84, 80, 70, Cloudy.  
Cincinnati, 84, 80, 70, Cloudy.  
Cleveland, 84, 80, 70, Cloudy.  
Dallas, 84, 80, 70, Cloudy.  
Denver, 84, 80, 70, Cloudy.  
Detroit, 84, 80, 70, Cloudy.  
Houston, 84, 80, 70, Cloudy.  
Jacksonville, 84, 80, 70, Cloudy.  
Kansas City, 84, 80, 70, Cloudy.  
Louisville, 84, 80, 70, Cloudy.  
Memphis, 84, 80, 70, Cloudy.  
Montgomery, 84, 80, 70, Cloudy.  
New Orleans, 84, 80, 70, Cloudy.  
New York, 84, 80, 70, Cloudy.  
Norfolk, 84, 80, 70, Cloudy.  
Oklahoma City, 84, 80, 70, Cloudy.  
Omaha, 84, 80, 70, Cloudy.  
Philadelphia, 84, 80, 70, Cloudy.  
Pittsburgh, 84, 80, 70, Cloudy.  
Portland, 84, 80, 70, Cloudy.  
Raleigh, 84, 80, 70, Cloudy.  
St. Louis, 84, 80, 70, Cloudy.  
San Francisco, 84, 80, 70, Cloudy.  
Savannah, 84, 80, 70, Cloudy.  
Spokane, 84, 80, 70, Cloudy.  
Tampa, 84, 80, 70, Cloudy.  
Washington, 84, 80, 70, Cloudy.  
Wichita, 84, 80, 70, Cloudy.  
Wilmington, 84, 80, 70, Cloudy.  
Worcester, 84, 80, 70, Cloudy.

**MINIATURE ALMANAC.**  
Sun rises, 5:15. Morning, 6:15.  
Sun sets, 7:17. Evening, 6:13.

Association, and he presided over last night's meeting.  
The Finance Committee will have before it a draft of an ordinance prepared by City Attorney Pollard, which provides for a revised license scheme, based on purchases. The plan is designed to prevent the deficit that would accrue if the courts sustain Judge Richardson in his recent ruling that the city of Richmond cannot tax merchants' capital in excess of 20 cents on the \$100. The city had undertaken to impose the old \$140 rate in the case of the Drewry-Hughes Company, but was prevented from doing so by the Hastings Court ruling. It will probably appeal from Judge Richardson's order.

## RALEIGH BUSINESS MEN ASK RICHMOND SUPPORT

Seeks to Secure Location in North Carolina Capital of One of Twelve Farmer-Loan Banks.

A delegation of Raleigh business men will visit Richmond tomorrow for the purpose of enlisting the city's support in the campaign now being waged by the North Carolina capital to secure the location there of one of the twelve farmer-loan banks that will be established under the rural credits act.

The North Carolinians will confer with local bank men and officers of the Chamber of Commerce. Two years ago a Richmond delegation in search of assistance to bring one of the Federal reserve banks to this city was given a royal reception in Raleigh, which then pledged its support to Richmond's campaign.

While there is considerable sentiment locally in favor of Raleigh as the seat of a farmer-loan bank for this section of the country, especially since Richmond is not herself actively seeking the honor, the situation is complicated by the fact that Norfolk has launched an active campaign for one of the banks and is looking to Richmond for support. The problem may be solved by inducing Norfolk first and Raleigh second, thus giving the North Carolina city Richmond's support in the event that Norfolk is counted out.

The North Carolina bankers have many friends in this city in Herbert W. Jackson, president of the Virginia Trust Company, and Henry E. Litchford, vice-president of the Old Dominion Trust Company. Vice-president John M. Miller, Jr., of the First National Bank, was for years connected with a large bank in Charlotte, and is close to the Tarheel bankers.

# FEEL THEY HAVE TAKEN MEASURE OF GERMANS

Confidence of British Soldiers Justified by Events, Declares Sir Douglas Haig, Who Sees Initiative Entirely With Allies on All Fronts.

BY FREDERICK PALMER.

Accredited Correspondent With the British Army of the Press of the United States.

WITH THE BRITISH ARMIES IN THE FIELD, July 31.—At the close of two years of war and of the first month of the British offensive, Sir Douglas Haig, commander-in-chief of the group of British armies in France, speaking of the situation, laid particular emphasis on the fact that the beginning of the third year of war saw the initiative entirely with the allies on all fronts, while England, for the first time, was exerting something like the power worthy of her numbers and resources on land.

"The tide has turned," he said. "Time has been with the allies from the first. It is only a question of more time till the allies are ready to bring peace in this, as in other wars."

"Until this victory is won, it becomes a British soldier in France to think of peace."

Those who have had freedom along the battle lines during the last four weeks have had glimpses of the youthful and scholarly features of Sir Douglas Haig in passing his automobile on dusty roads, in the thick of the moving troops and transports, and again of his athletic figure, adorning his car at the headquarters of one of the army commanders for a conference. But mostly his time is spent in a quiet room in the small chateau which forms his headquarters. In the center of this room, where he had a talk with the correspondent to-day, was raised a map of the region of the present offensive with every detail, roads, woods, villages, trenches, ridges and valleys and all contours revealed at a glance.

## LITTLE SHEETS OF REPORTS COME FROM THE LINE

The only other machinery at his command were little sheets of reports which come from the firing line through curtains of shell fire, giving the status of the situation at intervals on every sector of the front.

"The object of the first summer's campaign and the second for the allies was to hold the Germans from forcing a decision with their ready numbers of men and guns and shells," said Sir Douglas. "Whether it was the able retreat of the British or the stubborn force of the French and British to German effort for the channel ports, the Russian retreat last summer, Belgium's or Serbia's sacrifice, Italy's stop-waiting against Austria's offensive, or France's immortal defense of Verdun, the purpose was always to gain time for the preparations necessary to take the offensive away from the enemy."

He mentioned the days at Ypres in the fall of 1914, when the British had not battalions where they have divisions now, and fought with flesh and blood against superior gun fire. Since he took command of the army, which he had to train and form, his favorite word has been "patience" to his subordinates and callers.

"Our preparations for the start of the war were due to its unexpectedness; that is no secret," he continued. "While France, which had a great national army and universal service, was giving all her strength, we had to begin building from the bottom. The majority of our best regular officers had been killed or wounded in the early fighting. With the remainder as a nucleus to drill and organize the volunteers."

"But he had the spirit that quickened them to undertake to create an army of millions which must be officered and trained by men of no military experience to fight the German army with its forty years of experience."

## HAD TO MAKE UNIFORMS BEFORE MEN WERE GAINED

"We had to make uniforms before the men who had enlisted could be taken out of the civilian garb. We had to make uniforms before we could arm our recruits, and we had to build guns and ammunition plants before we had artillery."

Meanwhile, we had to keep on shoe-making. France with such prepared for whose blows were the sturdier in his efforts for a decision owing to his realization that time was against him.

"Now the new army has had its first practical experience in an attack on a large scale."

After his plans were made and the order had been given to advance on July 1, he could only wait the news of the results in this quiet room with its atmosphere of detachment. There was no change in his imperturbability in the half hours of suspense before the first definite information arrived out of a mantle of shell smoke and confusion, into which the British infantry charged over a sixteen-mile front.

When night came, he listened to the reports of his subordinates, made plans for the morning, and gave directions with his customary brevity, and sometimes with a pathetically homely and characteristically Scotch phrase.

## DEATHS IN VIRGINIA

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]

**William M. Watkins.**  
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Besides his wife, who was Miss Matilda Elvira Harvey, of Danville, Mr. Watkins leaves two sons and one daughter—Willie, of Carmel, N. Y., Calvin L., of Saxe, and Mrs. V. C. Tate, of Gretna, Va.

Mr. Watkins was the son of the late Captain W. H. Watkins. Funeral services were held at his home on Sunday afternoon.

## Mrs. Athena B. Minor.

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## John F. Curtis.

FREDERICKSBURG, VA., July 31.—John F. Curtis, one of the most prominent, as well as most successful, farmers in King George County, died suddenly at his home yesterday, aged sixty-one years. Mr. Curtis was in Fredericksburg on Saturday and appeared to be in the best of health. Mr. Curtis is survived by his wife, one brother and one sister.

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Mr. Hudnall was a native of Amherst County, and was fifty-four years old. He had been a resident of Lynchburg twenty-two years. Besides his wife, he is survived by the following children:

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Eckman Laboratory, Philadelphia. (Advertisement.)

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MORRIS.—Died, July 31, at 12:10 P. M. Monday, SUSAN J. MORRIS, wife of the late James A. Morris Sr., at the residence of her son-in-law, James T. Hill, 509-A Gas Line Street, in the eighty-sixth year of her age. She leaves four children, James A. Morris Jr., Edward L. Morris, Mrs. E. Morris, and Mrs. J. Morris.

Funeral from the above residence WEDNESDAY MORNING at 11 A. M., August 1, 1916. Interment Riverside.

that this army has no thought except to go on delivering blow after blow until we have won that victory by force of arms which will secure an enduring peace."

**Wed in Washington.**  
A marriage license was issued yesterday in Washington to Charles W. Woodard and Athena O. Armentrout, both of Richmond.

## Joint Picnic at Buckroe.

Three churches of Hanover County—Woods Grove, Shady Grove and Cool Spring—will unite in their annual picnic and excursion to Buckroe Beach on Thursday. The train will leave Hanover at 7:45 o'clock, and will leave Richmond at 8:45 o'clock.

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LYNCHBURG, VA., July 31.—Information was received here to-day of the death on Sunday afternoon in Danville of Charles H. Hickey, a pioneer tobaccoist of that city, who was a native of Lynchburg. He was in his eighty-fourth year. Mr. Hickey left Lynchburg when a young man and soon became successful as a tobaccoist. For several years he had been in declining health.

Mr. Hickey is survived by his wife and a son, James J. Hickey, of Richmond. He also leaves a sister, Mrs. Benjamin Walker, of Danville. The funeral is to be held to-morrow.

## Miss Mary E. Johnson.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]  
ALEXANDRIA, VA., July 31.—Miss Mary E. Johnson died last night at her home, 1019 Prince Street. About six weeks ago she sustained a fractured hip as the result of a fall. Miss Johnson is survived by a brother, John M. Johnson, and a sister, Mrs. Robert Jamieson, Oxford, N. C.

## Charles Mumford.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]  
ALEXANDRIA, VA., July 31.—Charles Mumford, thirty-four years old, unmarried son of Richard J. Mumford, died on Saturday night at the home of his father. His funeral will take place at 2 o'clock to-morrow afternoon.

## Mrs. Kate Archer Kyser.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]  
PETERSBURG, VA., July 31.—Mrs. Kate Archer Kyser, a wife of William Archer, died last night at her home in Chandler's Lane, in the western part of the city, aged fifty-three years. She was a native of Chesterfield County, Va., besides her husband, is survived by two brothers and a sister—Stephen Archer, of Petersburg; Eddie Archer, of Ettrick, and Mrs. Horace Berry, of Chesterfield.

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A delegation will be on hand to-morrow night to present the action of the meeting to the Finance Committee. W. H. Schwarzschild is chairman of the Tax Committee of the Retail Merchants Association.